



Minutes
Redondo Beach City Council
Tuesday, May 10, 2022
Closed Session - Adjourned Regular Meeting 4:30 p.m.
Open Session - Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Obagi at 4:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Emdee, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi
Councilmembers Absent:	Mayor Brand
Officials Present:	Michael Webb, City Attorney Mike Witzansky, City Manager Vickie Kroneberger, Chief Deputy City Clerk

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION – NONE

D. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS – NONE

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi called for public comment. There being no comments, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi closed the public comment period.

F. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION: 4:33 p.m.

F.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL AND LABOR NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Sec. 54957.6.

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Diane Strickfaden, Director of Human Resources

EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

Redondo Beach Teamsters

CONTACT: DIANE STRICKFADEN, DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

F.2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED POTENTIAL LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4).

One Potential Case

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to recess at 4:33 p.m. to conduct Closed Sessions attended by City Manager Mike Witzansky, City Attorney Mike Webb, Assistant City Attorney Cheryl Park, Public Works Director Ted Semaan and Human Resources Director Diane Strickfaden. There being no objections, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi so ordered.

G. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

H. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Emdee, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi
Councilmembers Absent: Brand
Officials Present: Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk
Michael Webb, City Attorney
Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Vickie Kroneberger, Chief Deputy City Clerk

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

City Manager Witzansky stated that Assistant City Attorney Cheryl Park was not in attendance for Closed Session items.

J. ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to adjourn at 6:02 p.m. to a regular meeting. There being no objections, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi so ordered.

A. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Obagi at 6:02 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Emdee, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi
Councilmembers Absent: Mayor Brand
Officials Present: Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk
Michael Webb, City Attorney
Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Vickie Kroneberger, Chief Deputy City Clerk

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

At the request of Mayor Pro Tem Obagi, the audience and Councilmembers rose to salute the flag followed by a moment of silence.

D. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Nehrenheim announced his Community Meeting taking place this Saturday at Alta Vista at 9:30 a.m. and a followup online meeting next week.

Councilmember Loewenstein announced his District 2 Community Meeting taking place on Monday, May 16, in person on the 2nd floor of the main library conference room from 5:30 to 7 p.m. He also announced Beach Life this weekend, and a compost event on May 21 in Wilderness Park.

Councilmember Horvath announced his District 3 Community Meeting taking place on Wednesday May 18 on Zoom from 6 to 7:30 p.m. with special guest City Manager Witzansky discussing the budget.

Councilmember Emdee reviewed items discussed at the SCAG conference last week including removing lithium from the Salton Sea for battery production, transit options for electric and hydrogen trucks from Arrival and Sunline Transit, Granicus social media digital engagement called Bang the Table, Jamboree providing 100% affordable housing projects, and the rules regarding moving up in SCAG.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi announced his Community Meeting that took place on May 5 and thanked the Chief for participating and also commended the City Manager. He also encouraged people to purchase tickets to Beach Life.

E. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to approve the Order of Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Emdee, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

F. AGENCY RECESS - NONE

G. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to receive and file additional material for Items J.1, N.2, and N.3. There being no objections, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi so ordered.

H. CONSENT CALENDAR

H.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED REGULAR AND REGULAR MEETING OF May 10, 2022
CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

H.2. APPROVE MOTION TO READ BY TITLE ONLY AND WAIVE FURTHER READING OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS LISTED ON THE AGENDA.
CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

H.3. APPROVE CONTRACTS UNDER \$35,000:
1. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH DOCUSIGN, INC. FOR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT OF \$4,424.94 FOR UP TO 500 E-SIGNATURE ENVELOPES AND \$8.80 PER EACH ADDITIONAL E-SIGNATURE ENVELOPE EXCEEDING THE ALLOWANCE FOR THE TERM MAY 10, 2022 TO MAY 9, 2023.
CONTACT: JENNIFER PAUL, FINANCE DIRECTOR

H.4. PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER LOEWENSTEIN FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.

H.5. APPROVE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH INTERWEST CONSULTING GROUP, INC. FOR AS-NEEDED BUILDING PLAN CHECK AND INSPECTION SERVICES AND TEMPORARY BUILDING OFFICIAL SERVICES FOR AN INCREASE OF \$30,000 AND A NEW TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$140,000 FOR THE TERM FEBRUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH FEBRUARY 8, 2024
CONTACT: BRANDY FORBES, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

H.6. APPROVE THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MCCUNE & HARBER LLP
CONTACT: MICHAEL W. WEBB, CITY ATTORNEY

H.7. PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER HORVATH FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi called for public comment.

Commissioner Solomon referred to item H.4 and supported Measure C and the opportunities provided in Redondo Beach.

There being no further comments, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to approve Consent Calendar Items H.1 through H.7, with the exclusion of pulled items H.4 and H.7. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Emdee, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

I. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

H.4. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2205-027, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, LEASING CERTAIN PROPERTY TO CALIFORNIA LOCAL, LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY APPROVE THE LEASE WITH CALIFORNIA LOCAL, LLC FOR A RESTAURANT USE FOR THE PREMISES AT 245 NORTH HARBOR DRIVE FOR A MONTHLY MINIMUM RENT OF \$11,032 AND A TERM OF MAY 10, 2022 THROUGH MARCH 9, 2028
CONTACT: GREG KAPOVICH, WATERFRONT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

The lessee thanked Council for the opportunity to lease the property and reviewed their proposals.

Councilmember Nehrenheim asked about the value of the lease per month and being in line with other leases. Brian Campbell, BC Urban, reviewed the gross percentage rent terms and other specifics and said the lease is aligned with the market rate in the harbor. He also said the area in the harbor is leased out except for 900 feet on the International Boardwalk and the former Fun Factory.

Motion by Councilmember Loewenstein, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2205-027. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Emdee, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

City Clerk Eleanor Manzano read by title only Resolution No. CC-2205-027.

H.7. APPROVE A MARKETING AGREEMENT WITH OHMCONNECT REGARDING OUR PARTNERSHIP TO BUILD A "VIRTUAL POWER PLANT".
CONTACT: MICHAEL W. WEBB, CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Webb gave a report on the marketing agreement with OHMConnect regarding our partnership to build a "Virtual Power Plant", and also reviewed the website which can be tracked and provide credit.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi called for public comment.

There being no comments, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to approve a marketing agreement with OHMConnect regarding our partnership to build a "Virtual Power Plant." Motion carried unanimously, with no objections.

J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi called for public comment.

Jonatan Cvetko, District 1, referred to a magazine published by Beach Life and reviewed his concerns and additional publications. He said it still remains illegal to order cannabis through delivery services in the City. He asked that staff reach out to Mr. Sanford and to help with the proper messaging.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, to receive and file material presented by Mr. Cvetko. There being no objections, motion carried unanimously.

Wayne Craig noted open house at the fire stations last Saturday, an event at Perry Park last Thursday, and noted support for the homeless shelters.

Desiree Galassi spoke on the pickleball community and benefits to the City and suggested opening up the discussion again with a compromise.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to receive and file material presented by Ms. Galassi. There being no objections, motion carried unanimously.

There being no further comments, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi closed the public comment period.

K. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS - NONE

L. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

M. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS

N. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

**N.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING UPDATES TO THE WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT'S RECYCLED WATER EXPANSION ASSESSMENT STUDY IN REDONDO BEACH AND CURRENT RECYCLED WATER POLICIES
CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

Director Desi Alvarez gave a presentation and discussed the following:

- West Basin 75 year anniversary
- 26 member agencies
- Five divisions
- West Basin Water Portfolio
- West Basin Municipal Water District Recycled Water Facilities
- Distribution System
- Imported Water relies on no longer reliable sources
- Southern California's Water Supply - key reservoirs
- Storage in key state water projects and Federal central valley project reservoirs
- Colorado River Storage
- Snowpack is practically non-existent
- 791 days of drought since February 11, 2020 - it is not over
- West Basin 20 year imported and groundwater

- Annual water use: Hermosa & Redondo
- Per Capita Water Use - Indoor/Outdoor
- Progress toward 15% voluntary conservation
- West Basin Water Supply Challenge
- West Basin Water Shortage Contingency Plan
- What Redondo Beach Can Do

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi pointed out there is not much space for water savings and the City is doing the best it can. Mr. Alvarez reviewed opportunities the City can take and also explained the waste to water and where it would take place.

In response to Councilmember Emdee, Mr. Alvarez stated the purple pipe plan has been abandoned to date. He said a new system would cost approximately \$10M+ at \$1M a mile, and believed it is not a worthwhile investment. He also said they can work with SCE. He reviewed the different cities and their usage and explained the voluntary conservation and encouraged everyone to achieve the 15%.

Councilmember Emdee stated everyone's usage should be considered as well and then normalizing it. She also questioned outdoor being 30 gallons versus indoor being 70 gallons.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi suggested analyzing water conservation at the City level as well as a comparison to other cities.

Councilmember Loewenstein agreed with Councilmember Emdee noting it is very unfair charging everyone the same rate such as those living in small spaces versus those with big lots watering a big lawn every day. He also said the same issue takes place with SCE.

Councilmember Loewenstein also asked about the municipal landscaping. City Manager Witzansky stated a proposal in the budget will be provided and staff will work with West Basin as well, such as the area in front of the library.

Public Works Director Semaan stated the Civic Center Landscaping is in design with a consultant contract in place.

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Obagi, City Manager Witzansky stated staff is taking advantage of any funding available.

Councilmember Nehrenheim suggested tapping into the injection wells on Prospect, feeding into Alta Vista and water the parks. Mr. Alvarez and Public Works Director Semaan explained the disadvantages and costs.

Councilmember Horvath suggested pumping ground water, noting a partnership is needed, and asked how this would look in a long-range plan. Mr. Alvarez stated they are working with Cal Water and said he will be speaking to other cities as well.

Councilmember Horvath supported Mr. Alvarez and noted a disservice by putting so much of the waste water out into the ocean.

Mr. Alvarez reviewed their grants including replacing the turf.

In response to Councilmember Emdee, City Manager Witzansky stated SCE is allowing planting under the right-of-way within certain guidelines which are still somewhat restrictive.

Councilmember Emdee supported greenery as much as possible and opposed the elimination of the purple pipe. Mr. Alvarez noted potential for beautiful drought tolerant landscaping and small areas of synthetic turf.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi discouraged synthetic turf which gets very hot.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi called for public comment.

Don Szerlip, District 4, expressed concern with a never ending bureaucratic spiral, and suggested that the water districts need to stand up to the government.

Lezlie Campeggi, Redondo Beach, expressed concern with 20% of the residents expected to conserve when the 80% usage is elsewhere. She also suggested the Water District joining the City in suing the state to build housing and not reducing water consumption and requirements. She further suggested the Water District get involved lobbying at the state level.

Craig Cadwallader, Surf Rider Foundation South Bay Chapter, supported Director Alvarez and his involvement, supported working as a whole, partnering with the City of LA, reviewed his concerns, supported reusing waste water as potable water, and supported available rebates.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Vickie Kroneberger read the comments submitted via eComment by Michael Sachs.

There being no further comments, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to receive and file the report. Motion carried unanimously, with no objections.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi recused himself on Item N.2 and left the Chambers at 7:56 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to select Councilmember Loewenstein as Acting Mayor Pro Tem. Motion carried unanimously.

N.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING DRAFT ORDINANCES AMENDING TITLE 6 BUSINESSES, PROFESSIONS, AND TRADES, TITLE 10, CHAPTER 2, ZONING AND LAND USE AND TITLE 10, CHAPTER 5 COASTAL LAND USE PERTAINING TO CANNABIS REGULATIONS AND RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FOR THE AMENDMENTS

CONSIDERATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION REGARDING THE DRAFT CANNABIS ORDINANCES AND ADDITIONAL INPUT PROVIDED BY THE PUBLIC

CONTACT: BRANDY FORBES, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Community Development Director Brandy Forbes gave a report and discussed the following:

- Cannabis Regulatory Background
- Cannabis Ordinances - Draft Provisions
- Cannabis Ordinances - Planning Commission Recommendations
- Cannabis Ordinances - Community Survey Results
- Cannabis Ordinances- Possible Consultant Services
- Recommendation
- Scope of Service Objectives

Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein asked if staff has looked at other consultants other than HdL. City Manager Witzansky said there are other consultants but said positives with HdL include expediency and track record/history in this area.

In response to Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein, Community Development Director Forbes reviewed the map of the different buffer zones and said the areas in bright colors of the zone are actually outside of the buffers and would be qualified for sites. She also said the schools do not have any major changes.

City Manager Witzansky said the waterfront education area is a former Sea Lab site that has triggered the buffer.

Councilmember Emdee referred to the pink area on the map east on Robinson which is a huge park and family area in the middle of residential and did not support putting cannabis in that area.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim, City Manager Witzansky stated the CC designation is very specific and only in the waterfront area. He said the Riviera Village falls under the more traditional C4 or C5. Community Development Director Forbes said the walking zone is not excluded, and the pinks/reds and beiges on the map would be eligible.

Councilmember Nehrenheim stated attaching two licenses (retail license and non-store front delivery license) to a single license could be problematic. He noted delivery requires more on-site parking, in and out, and a secure zone is needed for cannabis. He expressed concern with putting the two licenses together as one and impacts.

Senior Deputy City Attorney Jillian Martins explained businesses being in the same location were considered to consolidate the number of locations while keeping the maximum amount of revenue in the City.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim, City Manager Witzansky suggested sales tax can be considered in the local ordinance.

Councilmember Nehrenheim also referred to the Galleria which has many mixed uses and suggested cannabis could be considered in that area.

Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein called for public comment.

Jonatan Cvetko thanked staff, expressed concern with bringing in HdL and believed that a consultant is not needed. He supported modeling after the City of West Hollywood, suggested following the state on the ownership definition, agreed with recommendation #9, suggested flexibility with recommendation #10, questioned impacts regarding advertising, suggested access to surveillance when alarms go off to address privacy, suggested consolidating and noted storefronts only are being offered.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to receive and file documents presented by Mr. Cvetko. There being no objections, Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein so ordered.

Don Szerlip, District 4, requested clarity on the licenses and locations, expressed concern with the City not addressing this issue sooner, spoke on the City zones, said most every street has both commercial and residential with no effect on the residential areas, and spoke on the taxes.

Senior Deputy City Attorney Martins clarified that Type 9 is the non-storefront retailer which does delivery only with no walk-in traffic and Type 10 is a storefront retailer license which does both the storefront and delivery.

Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein clarified that the City was slow on this issue due to opposition, and the product is not the same as other products.

City Manager Witzansky clarified the taxes and noted the City receives 1% of all sales but does not participate in any of the additional 20% and recommended the 5% sales tax.

City Attorney Webb pointed out that it is illegal to deliver cannabis in Redondo Beach unless it is used for medicinal purposes.

Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein suggested information on the cost on law enforcement and impacts.

Eugene Solomon, Redondo Beach, suggested Council address the ownership component and definitions, revocation of a license, enforcement with violations of licenses, the sales tax and additional tax and any impacts, and state lawsuits.

In response to Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein, City Manager Witzansky stated due diligence will take place regarding HdL and the process, and the contract will not be recommended if greater concern is found.

Wayne Craig, District 1, suggested addressing the church.

City Manager Witzansky stated there have been various followup actions associated with the church's activity and the Police Department and Code Enforcement and residents are aware of these issues.

Lezlie Campeggi, Redondo Beach, expressed concern with where the community outreach went, noting only 173 people responding. She suggested more community outreach with the outcome for clarity on the new law regarding cannabis.

Carissa Gallardo expressed concern with enforcement and advertising cannabis and impacts to minors. She also expressed concern with addiction.

Joan Irvine stated she is involved with cannabis education for seniors, stated cannabis is being normalized, stated the dispensaries are upscale, the kids cannot buy from the stores, noting a detailed age verification system, did not support having another consultant, and did not support delaying this item any longer.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Vickie Kroneberger read the comments submitted via eComment by:

James Crawford and Matthew Hinsley.

There being no further comments, Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein closed the public comment period.

Police Chief Joe Hoffman gave a report on enforcement and dispensary issues.

In response to Councilmember Emdee, City Manager Witzansky stated staff would come back in June with a contract and followup ordinance discussion with HdL and any changes in July. He also noted the advantage of bringing in a firm for assistance and procuring a permittee. He said the first step is to get an approved adopted ordinance and then write in the selection effort.

Councilmember Emdee supported the Galleria hosting a licensee, and enforcement will be key to the success. She reviewed the time and delay of this item but agreed the initiative brought it back. She reviewed outreach and said she received more responses to pickleball than cannabis. She also said there has to be retail outlets for legalization, and noted over 6,000 signatures to put the initiative on the ballot. She also agreed that 20% of the state taxes being excessive which has to be addressed at the state level. She said

the 5% was chosen based on the different cities. She supported agreeing with the ordinances and moving this forward as quickly as possible and getting to a point of not needing an initiative voted in March.

Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein questioned two candidates selected and then the initiative wiping it out.

Councilmember Horvath believed this is a complicated issue and covid caused some of the delay. He preferred having our own ordinance and thanked the Planning Commission for their work on this issue. He also noted the Planning Commission's concerns with over surveillance.

Police Chief Hoffman gave a report on security and surveillance ability in the City.

Councilmember Horvath agreed with the Planning Commission recommendations and preferred a maximum of two per zip code. He also believed the City has protected the youth and trust the Police Department and the system. He also believed a lot has been communicated and outreach has taken place. He stated he did not believe that HdL needs to review the ordinance but did not want to delay the process. He also noted confusion taking place with an issue of communication next March voting no on an initiative taking away the ability for control but also to vote yes on a sales tax. He suggested removing Objective 1.

Senior Deputy City Attorney Martins and City Attorney Webb reviewed the objectives and the pros and cons and the costs.

Councilmember Horvath stated he could support a dispensary at the Galleria and believed they would do it in an appropriate manner.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim, Senior Deputy City Attorney Martins explained that in terms of delivery services, medicinal or not, the 21-plus is absolutely required.

Councilmember Nehrenheim referred to delivery Type 9 which isn't allowed but it would not stop anyone from getting delivery currently, and suggested enforcing it. Senior Deputy City Attorney Martins explained that a Type 10 license includes the ability for a business to deliver, and a Type 9 license is delivery only.

Councilmember Nehrenheim supported having HdL for review and catching any errors/problems.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to engage HdL on all objectives except for Objective #2, to aim for the March 2023 election for the tax provision, not to accept the removal of the CR Zone pursuant to the Planning Commission recommendation striking #22, to only allow the two Type 10 licenses, and to accept all of the Planning Commission recommendations that have not already been accepted striking #16, #17, #18, #21, #22 and #23. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Horvath, Emdee, Acting Mayor Pro Tem Loewenstein
NOES: None
ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Obagi (recused)

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi returned to the dais at 9:56 p.m.

N.3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FORMATION OF BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS
CONTACT: GREG KAPOVICH, WATERFRONT & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Waterfront & Economic Development Director Greg Kapovich gave a report and discussed the following:

- What is a BID
- BID(s)

- Existing BID(s)
- Artesia Corridor
- Establishing a BID Program
- Recommendation - direct staff to perform outreach to gauge the interest level of property/business owners along Artesia Boulevard

City Manager Witzansky suggested looking at targeted blocks of the BID.

Councilmember Loewenstein suggested having a BID down at the waterfront to allow investment into marketing.

Councilmember Nehrenheim suggested starting small, and suggested BIDS could be done specific to just restaurateurs/retailers and localized and other areas such as on PCH.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi called for public comment.

Don Szerlip gave a history on the BID process and clarified that owners of buildings that had tenants were part of the business BID and had to pay the \$100 plus \$29 per location within their building being rented out. He said he is in favor of a BID, stated due diligence has been done regarding an assessment all the way down Artesia Blvd. and Aviation Blvd., coming up with enough money almost to the level of the Riviera BID of \$80,000. He said the law has evolved over the years and people that want the BID must come to Council and request it. He further said most of the members of businesses are in North Redondo but not the brick and mortar along Artesia Boulevard and an owners' association must now run the BID.

Eugene Solomon encouraged engaging this up and down in the harbor, supported Artesia Boulevard but not to ask an organization to participate that has failed to achieve their objectives, suggested bringing back the research in place, and present how to conduct this investigation.

There being no further comments, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi closed the public comment period.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, to direct staff to move forward with the Business Area Improvement law, viability analysis and advancement if deemed viable on any part of Artesia Boulevard.

Amended requested by Councilmember Loewenstein to include the King Harbor and Pier Associations. Mayor Pro Tem Obagi and Councilmember Emdee accepted the amendment.

Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Emdee, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

O. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

City Manager Witzansky stated the Quality of Life Unit was initiated this weekend.

P. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS

P.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON OPTIONS FOR ENHANCED RESPONSE TO HELP ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS, INCLUDING IMPROVED COORDINATION WITH THE COUNTY.

A review video was presented on the homeless court.

Quality of Life Prosecutor Joy Abaquin and City Attorney Webb gave a report and update on the Housing Initiative Court.

Homeless Housing Navigator Lila Omura also provided a report and discussed the following:

- Placements
- Shelters
- Individuals requiring higher level of care and permanently placed

City Attorney Webb gave a report on county cooperation and support.

Councilmember Horvath spoke on the County's Blue Ribbon Commission on Homelessness and recommendations/strategies.

City Attorney Webb provided a report on the following recommendations:

- City employed Mental Health Clinician
- Education Campaign
 - Quality of Life Account for Donations
- Part-time resident aid

Chief Hoffman gave a report on the City employing a mental health clinician which will benefit the City.

In response to Councilmember Emdee regarding the numbers and placement, City Attorney Webb stated that three individuals were placed just this year.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi supported the three recommendations.

Councilmember Nehrenheim asked about any plans with BCHD. City Manager Witzansky stated he will follow up. City Attorney Webb stated BCHD sent a proposal regarding funding for detox issues.

Mayor Pro Tem Obagi called for public comment.

Wayne Craig supported the program with the pallet shelters, stated BCHD has money available to help, and other cities should be contributing to the efforts as well.

There being no further comments, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi closed the Public Comment period.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to direct the City Attorney to move forward with all of the recommendations. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Emdee, Mayor Pro Tem Obagi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Q. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF

Councilmember Loewenstein requested a BRR on updating the Perry Park Teen Center.

Councilmember Horvath requested having Blue Folder items on the dais.

R. CLOSED SESSION – NONE

S. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – NONE

T. ADJOURNMENT: 11:28 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 p.m. to an Adjourned Regular meeting to be held at 4:30 p.m. (Closed Session) and a Regular meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. (Open Session) on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California. Motion carried unanimously, with no objection.

All written comments submitted via eComment are included in the record and available for public review on the City website.

Respectfully submitted,


Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk